



EXTREMIST

Groups



Dealing With **HATE**





OVERVIEW



- **Define the Army's Policy on Extremism**
- **Explain the Restrictions on Participation in Extremist Organizations**
- **Describe the Definitions and Terms Related to Extremism**
- **Explain the Prohibitions with regard to Extremism**
- **Explain the Training Responsibilities of the Commander with regard to Extremist Organizations and**



Impact on the Unit and the Mission



- **UNIT COHESION**
- **POLARIZATION**
- **MORALE**
- **MISSION ACCOMPLISHMENT**
- **TIME IS LOST IN THE “FIX”**



POLICY



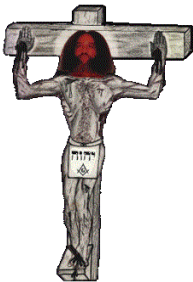
- **It is the policy of the US Army to provide Equal Opportunity and Treatment for all soldiers without regard to Race, Color, Religion, Gender, or National Origin.**
- **Based on this philosophy, participation in extremist organizations or activities is inconsistent with the responsibilities of military service**



PROHIBITIONS

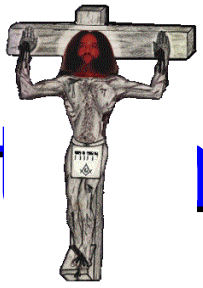


- Participating in public demonstrations or rally
- Attending a meeting or activity with the knowledge that the meeting or activity involves an extremist cause:
 - When on duty or off duty
 - When in uniform
 - When in a foreign country
- Fund Raising
- Recruiting or Training members (encouraging soldiers)
- Creating, organizing, or taking a visible leadership role



TERMS & **DEFINITIONS**

- ***SUPREMACIST***
- ***EXTREMIST***
- ***EXTREMIST ORGANIZATIONS***
- ***IDEOLOGY***
- ***MILITIA***
- ***GANGS***



Recruitment and Affiliation

- Views are made to look appealing
- “Store Front” issues address real concerns
- Symbols are hidden
- Persons with special skills or in important sensitive positions

What is an Extremist Group



Identity (CREATIONISM) Ideology

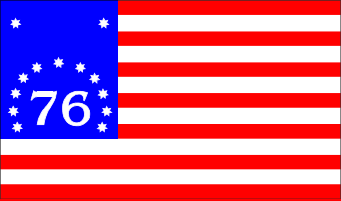
- **KKK**
- **NEO-NAZI**
- **ARYAN NATION**
- **IDENTITY MOVEMENT CHURCHES**
- **NEW JERUSALEM FELLOWSHIP**
- **CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
(CHRISTIAN)**
- **CHURCH OF THE CREATOR**

White Supremacy Ideology

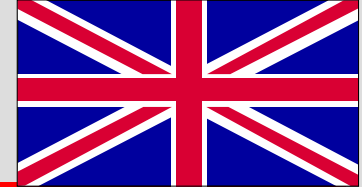
- **SEPARATISTS (NATIONALIST)**
- **THIRD POSITION (ARYAN SOCIALISM)**
- **NEO-NAZI SKINHEADS**
- **FIFTH ERA**

Patriotism-Survival Ideology

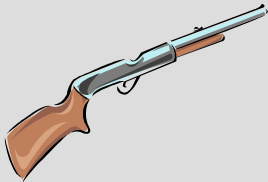
- **RACIAL SURVIVALIST**
- **POSSE COMITATUS**
- **POPULIST**
- **MILITIAS**



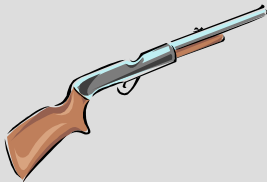
The Militia



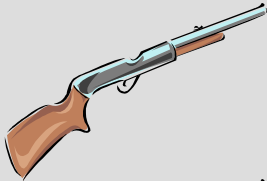
EVENTS



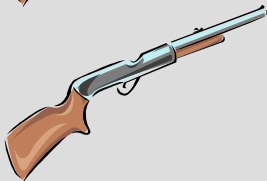
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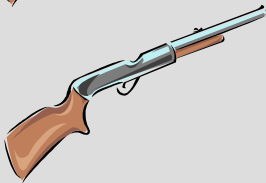
Ruby Ridge



The Viper Militia



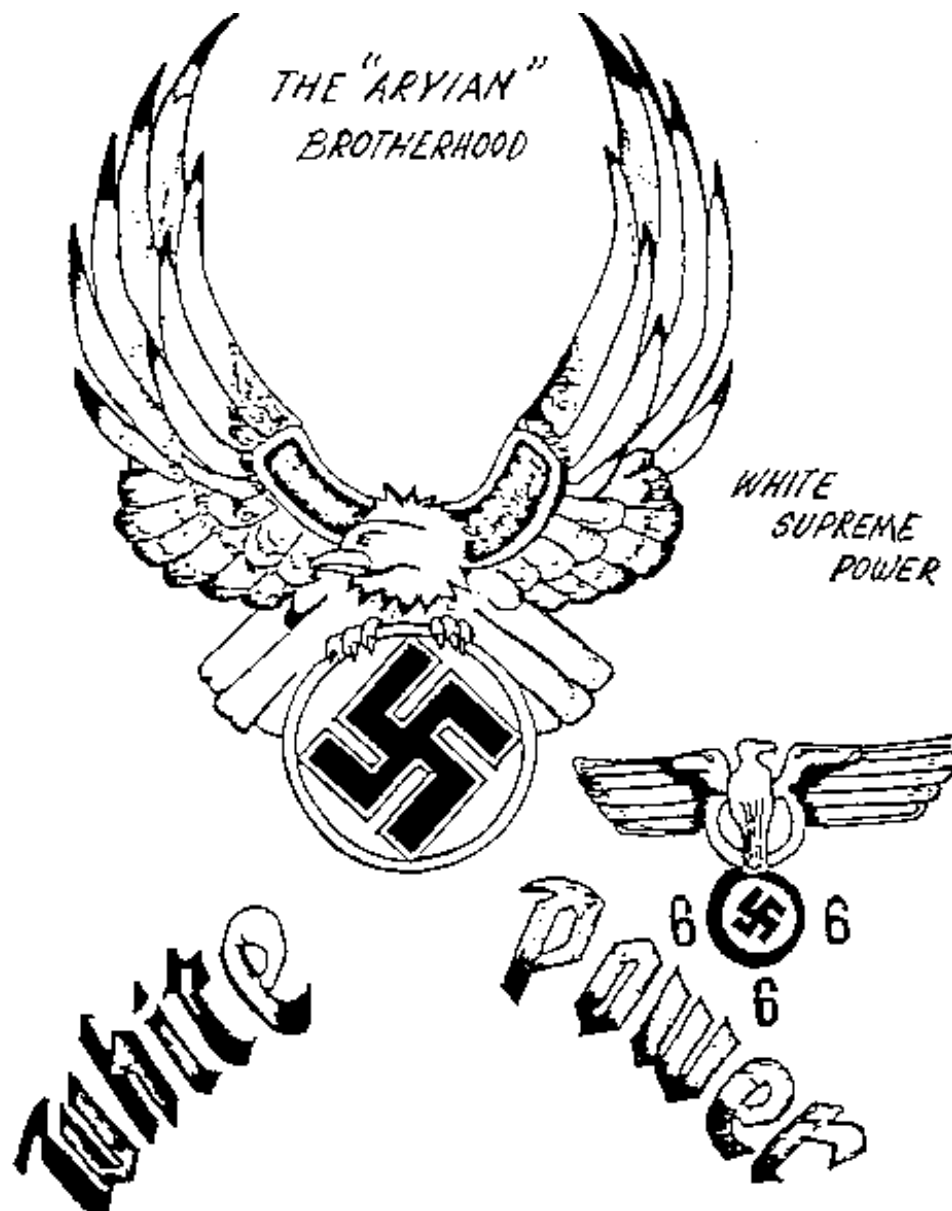
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Nation**



**The Republic of
Texas**



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COMMAND AUTHORITY

- **Commanders have authority to prohibit military from engaging in or participating in any other activity that a commander determines will adversely affect good order, discipline or morale within the command.**
- **This includes, but is not limited to, the authority to order the removal of symbols, flags, posters, or other displays from barracks, to place areas or activities off-limits, or to restrict access to areas.**
- **To order soldiers not to participate in those activities that are contrary to good order, discipline and morale.**



UCMJ

Command Options



- **Article 92**: Failure to follow a lawful regulation or general order
- **Article 116**: Three or more people whose actions cause
“Public Terror”
- **Article 117**: Provoking speech or gestures
- **Article 134**: Conduct which is disorderly or service discrediting
- **Article 134**: Good order and discipline



Command Responsibility

When identified as a participant of extremist group commanders should:

- **Educate and counsel**
- **Advise that affiliation will be considered during evaluations
and a factor in selecting individuals for leadership positions**
- **Removal of clearance**
- **Initiate reclassification or bar to re-enlistment**



Command Responsibility

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- **Initiate UCMJ actions for violations of military law**
- **Consider involuntary separation of soldier**
- **Order soldiers not to participate in specific events sponsored by**
extremist groups when there is a likelihood of
such participation
resulting in activities which are illegal or
prejudicial to
good order, discipline and morale

Proactive Measures



Leaders Responsibilities:

- Lead by Example
- Avoid affiliation with **any** social organization at work that may cause suspicion
- Encourage other soldiers to avoid affiliation with social groups at work
- Report specific indicators to the chain of command or appropriate agency
- Seek clarification from chain of command on “hot” topics and current

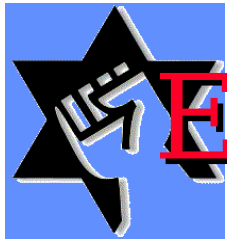


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Leader's Responsibilities:

- **Understand what their soldiers' positions are**
- **Be alert for indicators of extremist ties**
- **Enforce the Army's policy on extremism by reporting suspected activities**
- **Educate and counsel soldiers on the incompatibility of military service with such affiliations**



EOA RESPONSIBILITIES



- Stay alert for possible indicators of extremist group affiliation
- Stay informed on what activities are prevalent in the area at the moment
- Deal with issues as they arise
- Look at issues objectively with the Army ethic being the first consideration



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